

Servant Leadership Training



*Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and
His greatness is unsearchable. One generation
shall praise Thy works to another, and shall
declare Thy mighty acts.
Psalms 145:3-4*

Dunklin "City of Refuge"

February 2011

DMC MINISTRIES

- ALCOHOL AND DRUG REGENERATION PROGRAM
- DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY TRAINING CENTER
- FAMILY RECOVERY CLASSES
- FREEDOM SEMINARY
- PRISON / JAIL MINISTRY
- WOMEN'S MINISTRY
- AFTERCARE / OVERCOMERS GROUPS
- THE POTTER'S HOUSE MINISTRY (HALFWAY HOUSE)
- AUDIO / VIDEO AND PRINTED TEACHING
- CAMPFIRE PUBLICATIONS
- YOUTH GROUPS
- CHRISTIAN SUPPORT GROUPS
- COUPLE COUNSELING CLASSES
- CHILDREN'S CHURCH & CHILDREN'S RODEO
- NURSERY MINISTRY
- RETREATS AND SEMINARS

Camp Activities

- "Cowboys for Christ" in the Dining Hall on the 1st Thursday of each month @ 7:30pm.
Come and enjoy!
- DMC Sunday Service @ 11:00am
****Everyone Welcome!****
- "Freedom Seminary" classes meet on Thursday nights @ 7:00pm in the Retreat Center. Check out the Dunklin Website for more info on scheduled classes at www.dunklin.org
- Women's Co-dependency & Boundaries classes
Call Margie Rowland @ 772-597-0922



The Martin County Christmas Eve Communion Service was an uplifting experience for all of us and we give all the glory to the Lord for allowing us to participate in growing His Kingdom! Thank you Jesus!





“The Lord chose seventy other disciples and sent them on ahead, in pairs, to all the towns and villages He planned to visit later. These were the instructions He gave them: Pray to the Lord of the Harvest to send out more laborers to help you, for the harvest is so plentiful and the workers so few!” (Luke 10: 1-2 L.B.)

Alcoholism and drug addiction is a global TSUNAMI leaving catastrophic disasters in its wake, only God knows the number of addicts in the world, but the pain of their addiction can be multiplied by the members of their families who love them and suffer from the consequences of their substance abuse.

When you add to this unknown number the overworked law enforcement officers, jails and prisons that are overcrowded by the consequences of the addict’s behavior and the doctors and nurses who care for their medical problems, we begin to see the terrible magnitude of this plague.

But when we look at the TSUNAMI from God’s perspective, you see “multitudes of lost sheep who have no shepherd”! The

crying need to make the proper response to this dilemma is to “Pray to the Lord of the Harvest” to raise up new generations of shepherds who are able to minister to the horrific needs of the uncounted multitudes of lost sheep. Our phones ring incessantly with calls from broken hearted parents seeking shelter and ministry for their addicted children. Our staff workers are often overwhelmed by numbers of requests for help. Sometimes we feel like we are trying to dip out the Atlantic Ocean with a proverbial teaspoon!

But when I look at the next generations of young leaders enrolled in our recovery program and ministry training classes, and I see their love and concern for the new men coming into the program I am encouraged. When these emerging leaders share their dreams and visions for starting new Cities of Refuge, my “cup runs over,” and I am moved to intercessory prayer to see their dreams fulfilled.

The strength of any Christian ministry does not depend on the value of its property or the size of its budget but rather on the vision and integrity of its leaders. Many great ministries have been founded by men and women who exemplified both of these characteristics, but their ministries died when the leader died because they failed to impart their vision and raise up the next

generation of leaders.

Jesus set the example for all ministries to follow by the priority He placed on training the twelve disciples to carry the “Gospel of the Kingdom” to the next generation. For over three years, He imparted His vision in their hearts, and the men whose only goals had been to catch fish and collect taxes were transformed by that impartation and became, like Jesus, willing to lay down their very lives to carry the salvation message to the “ends of the world.”

For many years, we have been trying to follow Jesus’ example of making disciples. It thrills me to see the vision God placed in my heart forty-eight years ago now burning in them. They have “ownership” of the various areas of ministry, and they are applying the principles of discipleship by again raising up the next generation of leaders who are being equipped to be the leaders of the future. I consider these young leaders to be Dunklin’s most valuable asset.

Jesus commissioned His disciples to reach out in ever widening circles until they had established His Kingdom to the ***“uttermost parts of the earth” (Acts 1:8).***

“And they shall rebuild the old ruins, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the ruined cities, the desolations of many generations. (Isaiah 61:4)

Isaiah spoke these words approximately 800 years before the coming of Jesus as a baby in Bethlehem. They speak of a people who have had their broken hearts healed and have been set free from captivity by the anointing of the Holy Spirit (Isaiah 61:1). The ministry of Jesus has come to them and now rests upon them.

Having received comfort and consolation, beauty, joy and praise, they are becoming trees of righteousness for the glory of the Lord (Isaiah 61:3). It is these people, so touched by Jesus, that turn to rebuild, raise up and repair the desolations of many generations.

We live in the days of the fullest manifestation of these prophetic words. Society here in America, and the world at large is suffering from the sum total of sin, passed down through the generations. Moral decay and dysfunction are evident everywhere. Alcoholism, drug addiction, violence, etc., mark every nation. The desolation is abundant even in places where previously it was unknown. The natural eye sees a bleak picture. Man's solutions fall helplessly to the ground like a band aid placed on a gaping wound.

Having set us free, He sends us to rebuild, raise up and repair the foundations of many generations. What an awesome call! What an awesome God! What an awesome future!

Let me close with a

personal "Thank You" to all of our Campfire readers for your prayers and contributions that have enabled us to "equip these saints for the work of their ministries". Your investment in the Dunklin City of Refuge has enabled us to invest in training the next generation of workers in our Master's Vineyard!

Bro Mickey



Over the past 25 years, the Servant Leadership Training program has been the life source that has produced staff for the ministry here, and for the other Cities of Refuge around the world. The S.L.T. program was established to train men who had a call of God on their life to work with other addicts and alcoholics, and to minister the freedom and healing that they had received. However, several of the families that received the training were then called out by the Lord to start new recovery ministries in other parts of the county, and eventually, in other

parts of the world.

As we begin this new year, we have 24 staff members here at Dunklin, and 35 other men who are staffing recovery programs around the U.S. and in three foreign countries. All of these men are products of the Dunklin Servant Leadership Training program. Our S.L.T. course currently has 12 men in it, and each of them is committed to serve the Lord and give back to those in addition what God has given to them. It has been a privilege and joy to watch the Lord take men who were once part of the problem, and transform them into becoming part of His solution for our society today.

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“He calls His own sheep by name and leads them out. After He has gathered His own flock, He walks ahead of them, and they follow Him because they know His voice.”
(John 10: 3,4)



**“Servant Leadership Training,
a twelve-month commitment
to Dunklin...
.....a lifetime
commitment to Jesus.”**

For most students the year of SLT is a time to grow in a deeper commitment in their relationship with the Lord, and the plan and purpose He has for their lives. During this time the students learn all aspects of operating and working in a recovery ministry through being taught by our staff and by hands-on experience within the ministry. The lessons learned in the SLT classroom and the experiences attained through working with the men in the regeneration program are extremely beneficial, but it takes much more to prepare a person to be trained and equipped to serve in a recovery ministry.

During SLT the situations the Lord allows to happen and the feelings and emotions that get brought up sets up an opportunity for the student to mature in the way He desires. SLT will expose selfishness, pride, fear, anxiety, lack of trust, and many other flaws the Lord wants to purge in order for them to be a healthier able-bodied minister.

When a SLT student

graduates what I hear most in their testimony of what the Lord did in this time are: built character, integrity, faith, trust, submission, and love. All of this coupled with a persons own time in addiction, their time of healing in the regeneration program, the hands-on experience in the classrooms/ jobsites, and time spent leading other men has a way of allowing God to transform an addict into a powerful minister of the Gospel.

SLT is a lifetime process if we continue to allow God to work and perfect Himself in us. Christ is our example of a Servant Leader. He teaches servant hood more than leadership.

**“But the greatest among you
shall be your servant.”
Matthew 23:11**

**-Todd Haskell
SLT Teacher**

In one word, SLT means **family**. It is where we serve the same common purpose and with the help of the staff we are being lead where we need to be. All my life I had such a distorted view of what a family was. It was as if I was playing the game ‘King of the hill’, where I was pulling everyone down just to get to the top.



Today it is quite the opposite. There is no better satisfaction than helping your brother up and giving him hope and seeing him being restored in the way the Lord is guiding. Thank you Jesus!

~ Joshua Broehm



What I have learned through SLT is confidence and trust in the Lord. I understand what real

servanthood means.

Coming into SLT, there was still a lot of me in the things I did. There was still a lot of selfishness in me. Through SLT, I see the value in the little blessings like helping one of the guys in the dorm or getting to pray for a man that is struggling at work. I can see the Body of Christ at work here in the ministry and the true meaning of unconditional love.

The Lord has given me the compassion to serve those that are in the same place I was in when the Lord helped me. I can see how the Lord is working in me and teaching me His ways and I am developing more love for my brothers than I could list on five pages much less one.

~ David Black



I am blessed to live here at Dunklin Camp with my beloved Holly and our three boys. For me, SLT has been a

period of further restoration in my family. So far it has been an opportunity for me to step into the position of husband and father for a Godly family with Christ as the Head, the way in which it was intended from the beginning.

The growth rate that my family and I have experienced has been exponential! Who would have imagined when I entered the Regeneration program, primarily to get off of drugs and get my family back, that God had other plans? He has allowed my family and I to minister to other men and families who are currently in the program. What an awesome privilege and opportunity to be used by God. There is no shortage of hurting people and for once in my life, I am becoming part of the solution and not part of the problem, with purpose and meaning in my life.

My wife, Holly, and I also have the privilege of being in Family Recovery. The same place where God began reconciliation in our marriage is now where we are able to give back through teachings and small groups. It is truly a maturing season for my family and I. To live in Gods grace and mercy and experience love from

a community of believers is overwhelming! **Daniel Reslier**

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Servant Leadership Training has meant commitment to me over this past year. I learned the example He called me to be comes faithfully centered around Christ.



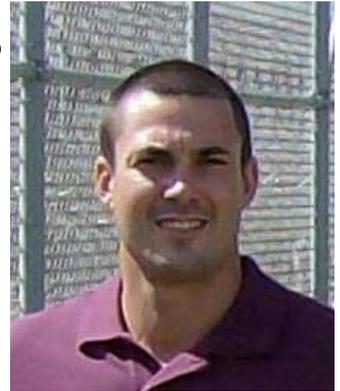
I've been given the opportunity to witness the reconciliation the Lord does in one's life while giving back what was so freely given to me. Today I am experiencing the Christian life. I have a purpose and hope I've never had before and I get to share this with the men the Lord is saving from the same addictions I was bound to. God has also blessed me with serving in the nursery and caring for the children during church services. What a blessing!

Wayne Lathrop

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When I wake up in the morning, I can't help the flood of gratitude I feel for where my life is today. I am not now what once I was, and that is only because of a close personal relationship with Jesus. SLT is a tremendous opportunity for me to continue growing in the Lord, while also sharing in the lives of other men. Through SLT, I am able to minister

to other men who were in the same situation I was in just a short time ago. I am able



to use my past, and how God has helped me overcome in my life to give others hope.

God has blessed me with the opportunity to go into the Martin County Jail four days a week. I found my salvation in that jail, and my heart beats for the men in that jail. I remember what it was like being separated from my family, feeling like a failure and being without hope. I am able to comfort them with the same comfort that I was given.

I am truly most filled up when I am able to give what I have to others. By far the biggest blessing that I receive, is watching God's hand intercede in the men's lives. What they see as the end of the road (jail) is the beginning of God's plan for them. To watch them come in broken, and see God transform them in front of me is indescribable. Watching God change lives through His regeneration process truly is a miracle, and I am so blessed to be a part of it.

Nick DeRigo

SLT to me is exactly what it stands for Servant Leadership Training. To become the leader that God wants me to be, I must first

After being at Dunklin for 16 months, God has shown me that I am here for a purpose and He has given me that purpose in SLT. I get the chance to help men that have been in the same shoes as I was only 19 months ago. It gives me the chance to re-learn Dunklin's curriculum and to teach it to the men in a more spiritual way.

I get blessed everyday that I walk in to the classroom and I see a man that is broken and needs Jesus in his life more than ever. It gives me the chance to give back what God has given me and show that man how much he really does matter.



SLT has changed my life and it opens my eyes to what God has in store for me each day that I wake. I am excited to see what it is. God has brought me this far for a whole life change, not just the change of addiction, and I am grateful for the SLT program to be able to see that more and more each day.

~ Eric Snook



To me, SLT is an incredible opportunity for me to “give back” and “to comfort others as I have been comforted”. It is also an educational opportunity that I could not get from any college. It has also allowed my family to grow closer to the Lord and become a true family in Christ.



I am truly grateful to be in Servant Training and I look forward to the rest of the year and all the challenges it will bring.

~Louie Romero

“Thankful Hearts”



“Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together and running over,

shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.” (Luke 6:38)

This scripture sums up perfectly the heart of God’s people. During the Christmas season four groups in the Body of Christ gave to the men and their families of the Dunklin Regeneration Program, a good measure and running over of their time, finances and resources. They gave gifts for the children and their parents because of their generous hearts.

Palm City Presbyterian gave gift cards to men who had no way to go home for Christmas, and an anonymous family gave gift cards to men who could only reach their families by mail. The Barrett’s and Riley’s church family bought gifts, wrapped them and delivered them to the parents for their children. The House church that meets at the home of George and Lauri Rhoden bought gifts for yet another Program family. The giving was nothing short of God’s love being poured out to His people by His people.

The reception of these gifts of love was met by the out flow of tears, gratitude and amazement of how good God can be. The Program families and staff thank all those who gave and continue to give of their resources to the Program families and their children.

*God Bless,
Pastor Terrell*

Thank you for your love!

Palm City Presbyterian

I'm very grateful that a man like me has a place in your hearts. Your blessings will be abundantly returned from the Lord. I want to extend my gratitude to all of you who played a part in this Christmas Offering. ~ Paul S.

Thank you for the gift card I received on Christmas. Your kindness is greatly appreciated. I have lived a selfish life for a long time, and I hope to transform through Christ while here at Dunklin. Your gift is an inspiration for me to give to others, and to live a different life. ~ Sean E.

I want to thank you not only for your spiritual and physical presence, but your willingness to give back to people in need. I can't tell you how appreciative I was to accept your gift. You have touched so many lives on this camp in ways that words will never do justice. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I hope your Christmas was as blessed as you helped mine to be. ~ Dustin R.

The gratitude I have, words can not describe. The selflessness of your kindness gave my three daughters a Christmas they would have not had because I was unable to provide one for them. That is the true meaning of giving. God Bless you and thank you. ~ Joshua P.

Thank you so much from the bottom of my heart for the gift card it was much needed. My mother was in need of some staples to sustain her, and thanks to your generosity I was able to bless my mother with the gift card you gave me for Christmas. Thanks again for the blessing.
~ Jonathan D.

Railey's & Barrett's

I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Your family truly touched the hearts of my wife and my children. Because of your love we were able to sit down as a family on Christmas and see the joy on

our children's faces when they opened the gifts you provided. I pray the Lord blesses your families just as you have blessed mine! ~ Jeremiah G.

You all are truly a Godsend. I can't thank you enough for what you did for my family this year. Through you all I can see just how great and wonderful our God is. Through you His light shines brighter than I have ever seen. Thank you, you gave me hope. ~ Brian N.

Anonymous

Thank you so much for the gift card you sent to my little girl. It hurts to have put myself in a position that I am unable to provide that on my own for my child. Your generosity towards men and their families who suffer from addiction is a direct reflection of the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ. I can assure you that you helped put a smile on her face and mine this year. I have already received a letter that she got a brand new Disney "Tangled" doll and some new clothes that she needed with the card. Thank you again for your gift and your willingness to follow the Holy Spirit and give. I pray you will be blessed. ~ Mark H.

It is so nice to know that there are still giving and caring people out there. You have blessed me and my family more than you could ever imagine. I pray that the Lord would reward your kindness ten fold! Thank you for loving and caring about us without even meeting us. ~ Brad C.

I want to thank you for showing me how to put others in front of myself and how to give without expecting anything in return. Unconditional love! Thank you for everything. ~ Craig M.

It was not long before the Christmas season began that I was worried and praying to God asking Him how I would be able to buy at least one gift for each of my children this year. Then you guys came into my life and answered my prayers. Thank you very much for blessing my family. ~ Chris G.

Meditation on Prayer Island

Thank you

Went to sleep, no tossing or turning
I thank you for letting me wake up this morning
When I thought I was all alone, I knew you were there
I thank you for filling my lungs up with air
You created me special, one out of a billion
I thank you for myself and all three of my children
My world was filled with darkness and strife
I thank you for bringing me to Dunklin and bringing me new life
Thought this was a joke and a game
I thank you for the day you answered when I cried out your name
I thought the Bible to be one big story
I thank you Lord for showing me your glory
Do you know Hell is not made up, but one hot place
I thank you I'm not going there through your saving grace
Through my addiction I caused my family's separation
I thank you for the now new family restoration
The "gram" was not easy, it was like walking through fire
I thank you for revealing my hearts true desire
There's many living still in the darkness of night
I thank you for letting me help spread your light
There is so much more I am thankful for today
I thank you for allowing me to give in and do it Your way
So it's time to go to sleep, no tossing and turning
I thank you for letting me wake up again tomorrow morning

By Frank A.

Dates to Remember

- Feb 13th ~ Graduation & Baptism
- Feb 20th ~ Graduation & Baptism
- Feb 27th ~ Kids Church Service
- March 5th ~ Women's Emmaus Team Meeting
- March 12th ~ Men's Emmaus Team Meeting
- March 17th ~ NET Meeting
- March 18th - 20th ~ Dunklin Alumni Weekend
- April 7th - 10th ~ Women's Emmaus Walk
- April 24th ~ Sunrise Service on Prayer Island for Easter

DUNKLIN MEMORIAL CHURCH

Dunklin Memorial Church was founded by Mickey and Laura Maye Evans in 1962 when 160 acres were purchased in the western part of Martin County for the purpose of building an alcoholic regeneration center to minister to the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of addicted persons. Since that time, God has greatly blessed D.M.C. with an expanded ministry and with new additions as needs have arisen. We give thanks and all glory to Jesus Christ our Lord for what He has done and look forward to what He wants to accomplish through our various ministries.

CAMPFIRE

The campfire is a monthly publication proclaiming what the Lord Jesus Christ can do, and has done, for men in bondage to alcohol and drugs. This publication does not represent any particular denomination, but seeks to encourage all believers "to keep the unity of the Spirit", (Eph. 4:3), not in the letter of the law, but in the spirit of meekness and love. There is no subscription price. The Campfire is maintained by the freewill offerings of those who wish to share in its ministry.

FINANCING

Our ministry is made possible by love offerings from churches, groups and individuals who share the burden and blessing of helping alcoholics and drug addicts help themselves. We strive through various self help projects to supplement the love offering and donations so as to be greater stewards of what God gives us in our expanding ministry. Because of our religious nature we are exempt from licensing by the state of Florida. However, D.M.C. is registered with the state of Florida as a nonprofit, religious corporation. All gifts are tax deductible.

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How You Can Help

1. Prayer, prayer and more prayer
2. Scholarships for men in Servant Leadership Training
3. Monthly donations
4. Sponsor a Family in SLT
5. Sponsor a man in the Regeneration program
6. Any working vehicles, golf cart, 4 wheeler, etc...
7. Musical Instruments – guitars, banjo, sax, etc...

Any questions or concerns about the Campfire or subscription please call Carol Cox @ 772-597-4440 or email me at carol@dunklin.org

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God in His kindness, has taught me how to be an expert builder. I have laid the foundation... But he who builds on the foundations must be very careful. And no one can ever lay any other real foundation than that one we already have ~

~ Jesus Christ!

1 Cor. 3:10-11 L.B.